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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the listed documents on the attached PTO SB/08 Form. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

Copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form. The following is a concise statement of relevance of the non-English language documents.

- JP 03-247671 An abstract of the disclosure of this document is submitted herewith.
- JP 59-170154 An abstract of the disclosure of this document is submitted herewith and this document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 4.932.750.
- JP 08-113621 An abstract of the disclosure of this document is submitted herewith and this document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 5,913,004.

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Respectfully submitted,

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